SUBJECT No. 310.

Water-supply to Arsikere.

Messrs. Dasappa and Chowdaiya, Arsikere Taluk:

Summary of discussion.—(1) Much difficulty is felt for water in the Arsikere town which has a population of over 3,000. The question has been pending decision for the past 10 or 12 years. Arrangements may be made to supply water to the town through pipes from the Yelavare tank.

(2) Although provision was made in the budget for 1906-07 on this account, it was not utilized by the P. W. Department. As much difficulty is felt for want of water, early arrangements may be made for its supply.

Reply of Government.—The Railway authorities will be consulted if they will allow a branch pipe to be taken from their main or if they have any objection to a separate well being sunk near the place where they have sunk one.

SUBJECT No. 311.

Improvement of the Hassan town.

Messrs. M. L. Narasimhachar and Dharanappa, Hassan Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—For the past nine years, the town of Hassan has been declining owing to occasional visitations of plague. There are no funds at the credit of the Municipality, either for the payment of compensation for houses already acquired or for the acquisition of new ones. For this reason the roads and the drains are not kept in proper condition. Hence it is not possible to improve and extend the town without Government help. It is therefore prayed that the Government may be pleased to sanction Rs. 50,000 for the improvement of the town. A sum of Rs. 20,000 at least may be sanctioned for the present with specific directions that the said amount should be utilized only for that purpose.

Reply of Government.—The matter has been referred to the Municipal Board. Its recommendations will be called for.

SUBJECT No. 312.

Hassan District Fund roads.

Mr. K. Thammaiya, Hassan District Board.

Summary of discussion.—Out of an annual income of about Rs. 70,000, nearly Rs. 62,000 are allotted for the upkeep of roads, only the balance being available for all the other works. For want of funds much hardship is felt to open new roads. For sometime therefore, the cost of maintaining the existing local fund roads may be met from Provincial funds, the savings thus effected by the District Board being allowed to be spent on opening out new roads.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 313.

Extension of Arehalli-Chikanahalli road to Chikmagalur.

Mr. K. Thammaiya, Hassan District Board.

Summary of discussion.—The Saklespur-Chikanahalli road which runs *via* Arehalli may be extended to Chikmagalur as it will be of great convenience to the people and the planters. The Kadur District Board had it surveyed but abandoned the work for want of funds.

Reply of Government.—Will be considered when funds are available.